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1. IN REPLY TO REQUEST SUBPARA 1B, REFTTEL, NATO MILITARY AGENCY FOR STANDARDIZATION (MAS) OFFICIAL (UK WING CMDR DICKSON) ADVISES THAT SURVEY REVEALS THAT ONLY UK NAVY PREFERS TO MAINTAIN NATO RESTRICTED CLASSIFICATION OF AAP-4 PUBLICATION. AS A CONSEQUENCE THE MAS, AS THE ORIGINATING AGENCY, HAS DECIDED TO ISSUE THE NEXT EDITION (NOV 78) AS NATO UNCLASSIFIED. MAS IS ALSO WORKING ON REORGANIZATION OF THE DOCUMENT INTO FUNCTIONAL CATEGORIES LISTINGS FOR MORE USEFUL REFERENCE IN THE LATE 1979 EDITION.

2. IN RESPECT TO SUBPARA 1E, REFTTEL, WE WELCOME EFFORTS TO PROVIDE CROSS-REFERENCING BETWEEN STANAGS AND US IMPLEMENTING STANDARDS. WE NOTE WASHINGTON PREFERENCE FOR A NATO ACTION IN AC/301 BUT, SINCE SUCH ACTION MUST BE BASED ON INFORMATION PROVIDED BY THE US, THERE WOULD UNCLASSIFIED

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APPEAR TO BE SOME ADVANTAGE TO PUBLISHING THE US INPUT SEPARATELY PRIOR TO COMPLETION OF NATO ACTION. COMMENT: MAS PERSONNEL ARE VERY IMPRESSED BY WORK BEING DONE IN AC/301 BY US REP, LESTER FOX, AND HOPE THAT HE WILL BECOME NEXT CHAIRMAN. END COMMENT.

3. WE WOULD BE PLEASED TO PARTICIPATE IN MEETINGS ON THIS

SUBJECT (PER SUBPARA 1H, REFTEL) WHICH, WE BELIEVE,
COULD WELL LEAD TO INCREASED US INDUSTRIAL PARTICIPATION
IN NATO PROJECTS. BENNETT

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